

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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**ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, Applicant hereby asserts that Applicant was a small entity at the time the fees were paid for which a refund is being requested herein, Applicant further remains a small entity, and that the above-captioned application is hereby entitled to small entity status going forward.

Respectfully submitted,

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